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SUBJECT: TWO POLICE OFFICERS ARRESTED FOR 1984 FORCED  
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(Germany and other European countries support conservation and cataloging of the archives.) Nineth Montenegro is a tenacious, influential, and well-regarded Congresswoman and human rights activist who fought for justice for 25 years and secured these arrests in part through her political connections and perseverance. While these arrests are positive indicators of political will to combat impunity, it is too soon to tell if these arrests will eventually lead to trials and convictions in the thousands of other cases of individuals "disappeared" by the state during the long internal conflict.  
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